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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

December 5, 2001

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 5, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 2 without prejudice or disclaimer, and amend the claims remaining in the application as follows:

1. (Amended) A process for producing a polyol by reacting an aliphatic aldehyde represented by formula (i):